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AUDITION

...
HEY, MATSU -MARU!
SO THIS IS WHERE YOU WERE.
MATSU -MARU?

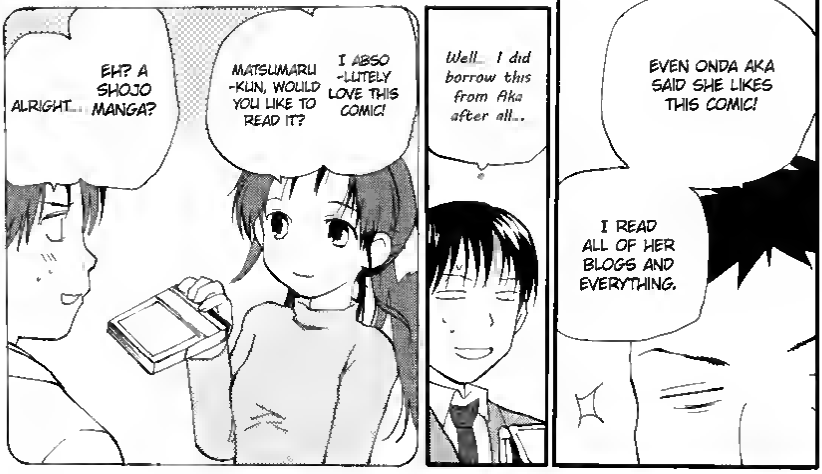
Uwah

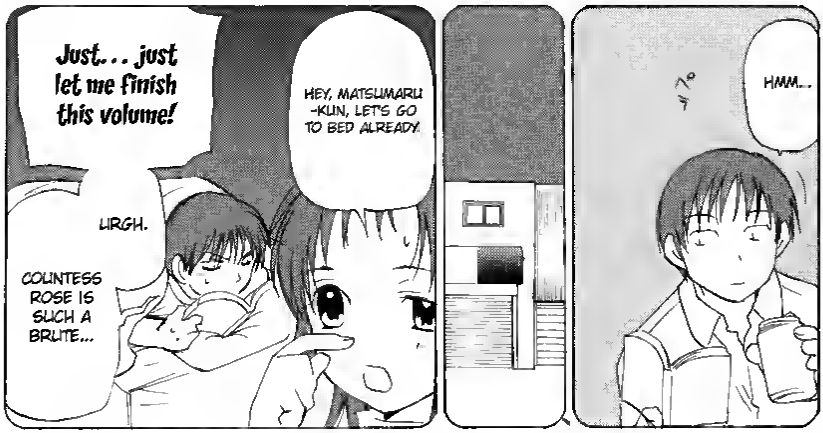
HEEEEY.

WHAT'S GOT YOU SO FASCINATED?
HEY I SHOUTED YOUR NAME EARLIER
WHAT THE HELL HATAKEDA DON'T SCARE ME LIKE THAT

AH, THAT'S
THAT'S THE SUPER POPULAR SHOJO MANGA "HANDKER-CHIEF KNIGHT!"
EH? HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT, HATAKEDA!?
NOTHING AT ALL
MANGA HANDKERCHIEF KNIGHT

Handkerchief knight is set in a small country in medieval Europe rife with love and revolution. It's Hoshibayashi Kaoruko's best series!
Princess Daisy...!!
For your love, I rode over a thousand corpses to return to you.
I HEARD YOU DIED, AND I
PRINCE CLOCUS


ALRIGHT...
EH? A SHOJO MANGA?
MATSUMARU -KUN, WOULD YOU LIKE TO READ IT?
I ABSO -LUTELY LOVE THIS COMIC!
Well... I did borrow this from Aka after all...
EVEN ONDA AKA SAID SHE LIKES THIS COMIC!
I READ ALL OF HER BLOGS AND EVERYTHING.


Just... just let me finish this volume!
HEY, MATSUMARU -KUN, LET'S GO TO BED ALREADY.
URGH.
COUNTESS ROSE IS SUCH A BRUTE...
HMM...

NO NO SUCH THING AT ALL
HM?
HATAKEDA YOU HAVE BAGS UNDER YOUR EYES TOO
EH?
YOU'RE PROBABLY IMAGINING THINGS
ARE YOU NOT GETTING ENOUGH SLEEP?
I'M GOING TO GET BAGS...
BUT... WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT I'D GET THIS ENGROSSED IN A SHOJO MANGA

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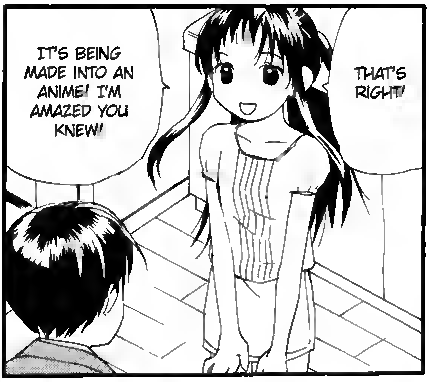

He doesn't know that Onda Aka and I are lovers...

And that we're living together on top of that!

But if he knew that, it'd cause a riot, so I absolutely have to keep it secret...

THERE ARE PLENTY OF THINGS I WANT TO DO.
OH, NO THAT'S NOT IT AT ALL!
IT'S RARE TO FIND SUCH PASSION.
HUH... I DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE THE PICK-YOUR-OWN -WORK TYPE.
THERE ARE AUDITIONS AFTER ALL.
BUT, IT'S NOT LIKE I CAN JUST GET CHOSEN SO EASILY YOU KNOW...
FOR A SINGLE ROLE, THEY AUDITION FIVE OR TEN PEOPLE
IT'S SUPER HARD TO GET PICKED!
OF COURSE IT'S SERIOUS!
WELL, SORRY FOR GETTING DROPPED ALL THE TIME
NO THAT'S THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT
IS IT REALLY THAT SERIOUS?
ACTUALLY YOU ALWAYS TALK ABOUT BEING DROPPED FROM SELECTION BUT

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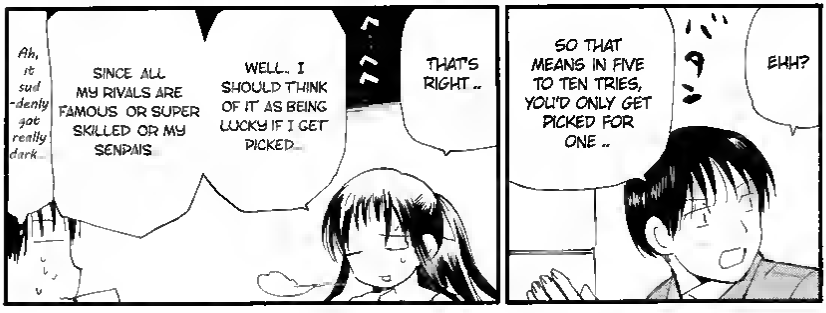
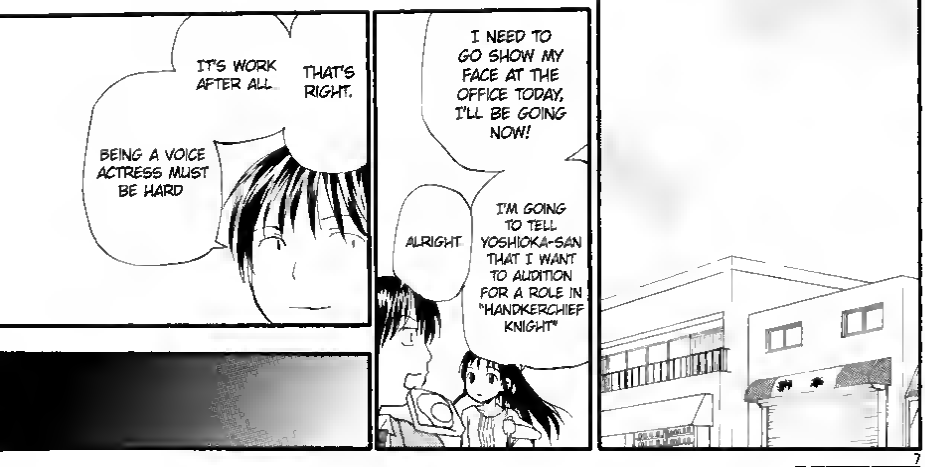
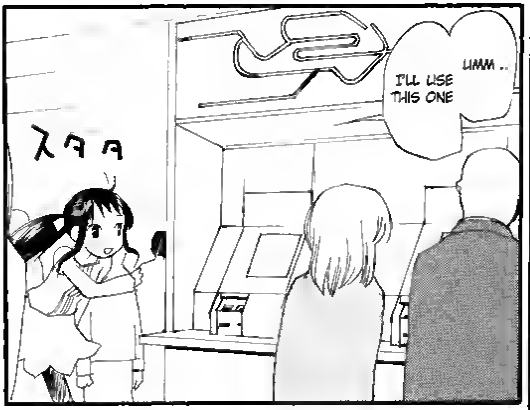

Ah, it sud -denly got really dark...
SINCE ALL MY RIVALS ARE FAMOUS OR SUPER SKILLED OR MY SENPAIS
WELL.. I SHOULD THINK OF IT AS BEING LUCKY IF I GET PICKED...
THAT'S RIGHT..
SO THAT MEANS IN FIVE TO TEN TRIES, YOU'D ONLY GET PICKED FOR ONE ..
EHH?

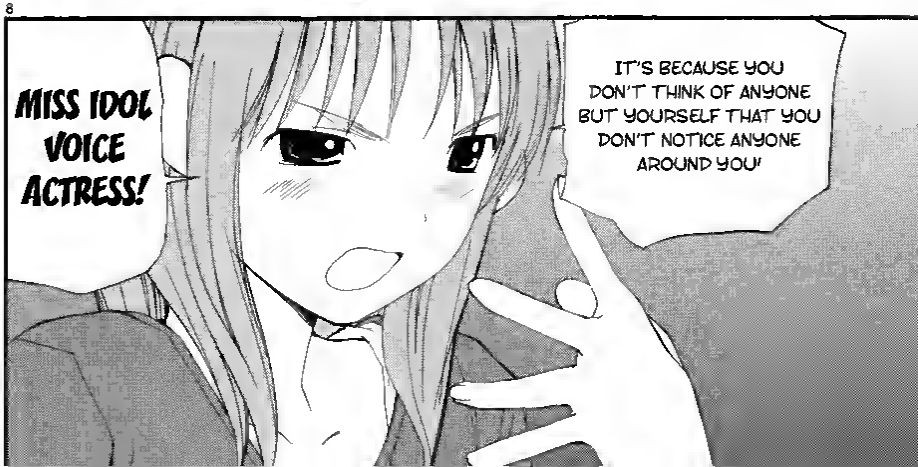

I NEED TO GO SHOW MY FACE AT THE OFFICE TODAY, I'LL BE GOING NOW!
I'M GOING TO TELL YOSHIOKA-SAN THAT I WANT TO AUDITION FOR A ROLE IN "HANDKERCHIEF KNIGHT"
ALRIGHT
IT'S WORK AFTER ALL
THAT'S RIGHT.
BEING A VOICE ACTRESS MUST BE HARD

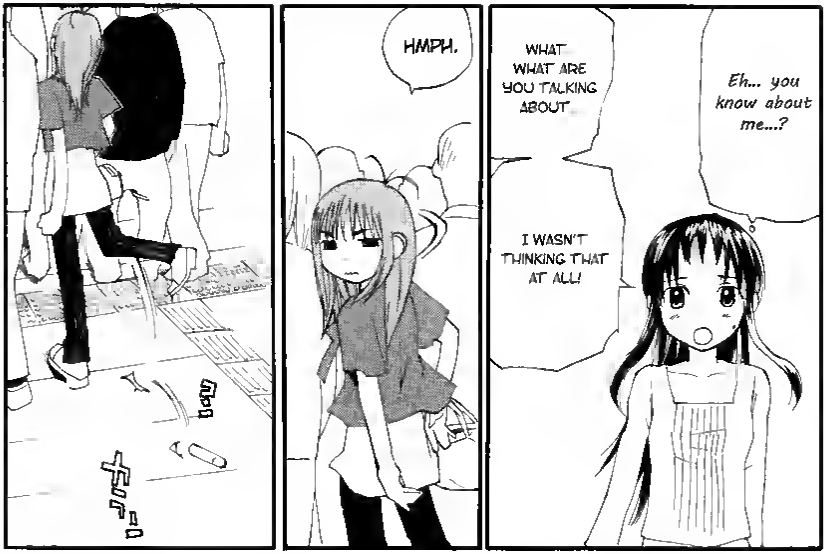

UMM ..
I'LL USE THIS ONE
スラスラ

AH, I HAVE TO FILL UP MY CARD

Hey!
Would you mind not cutting in line!?

AH, SORRY...
!
YOU...
EH!?
WHA
WHAT IS... IT...


IT'S BECAUSE YOU DON'T THINK OF ANYONE BUT YOURSELF THAT YOU DON'T NOTICE ANYONE AROUND YOU!
MISS IDOL VOICE ACTRESS!


HMPH.
WHAT WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT...
I WASN'T THINKING THAT AT ALL!
Eh... you know about me...?

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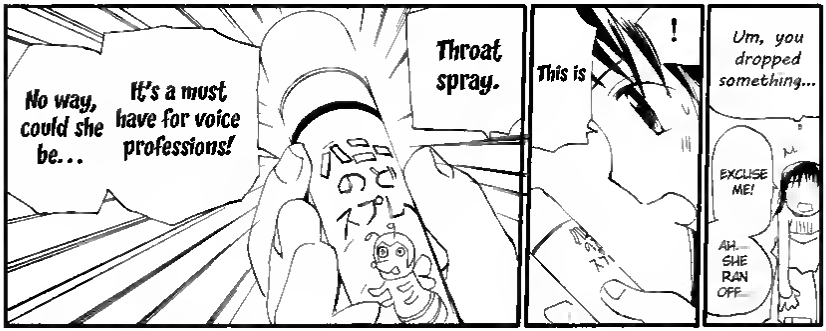

No way, could she be...
It's a must have for voice professions!
Throat spray.
This is
!
Um, you dropped something...
EXCUSE ME!
AH... SHE RAN OFF...

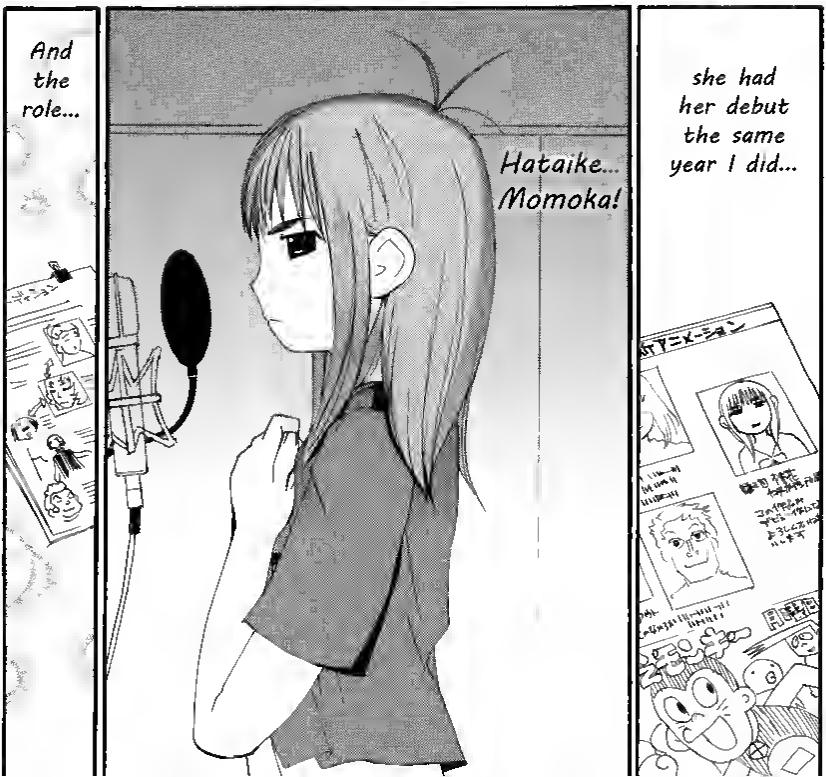
THAT'S FINE BUT...
EH, YOU WANT TO AUDITION FOR HANDKERCHIEF KNIGHT?

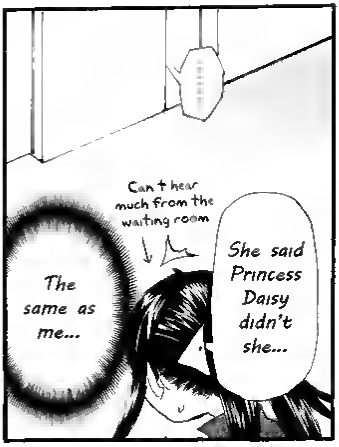
Gene-Pro

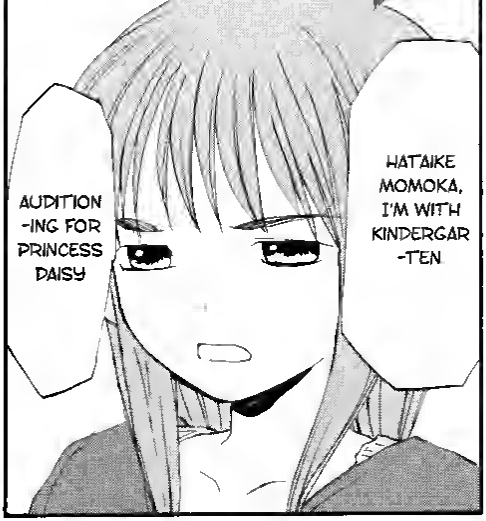
I'LL PRACTICE FOR IT!!
I'LL TRY HARD... I'LL TRY MY BEST!!
I DON'T THINK YOU'RE READY..
THAT'S A TOUGH ROLE.
THE MAIN... MAIN CHARACTER
WHAT ROLE DO YOU WANT?
DAISY..
WELL, WHY DON'T YOU TRY FOR IT. GIVE IT ALL YOU'VE GOT.
!!

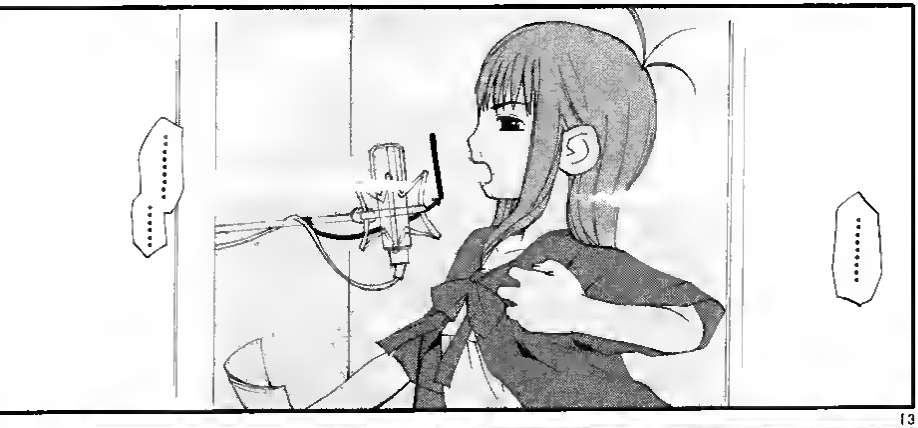
NO WAY...!
NO IT NEEDS A BIT MORE...
PANSY IS ALSO IN LOVE WITH PRINCE CLOCUS...!
NO WAY...
UUU
I'M SO NER -VOUS...
Auditions are in Studio C
DO NOT OPEN

That girl...
Thats right, I remem -ber...
So she's a voice actress after all.
Ah!
THAT GIRL IS


And the role...
Hataike... Momoka!
she had her debut the same year I did...


Can't hear much from the waiting room
She said Princess Daisy didn't she...
The same as me...


HATAIKE MOMOKA, I'M WITH KINDERGAR-TEN
AUDITION-ING FOR PRINCESS DAISY



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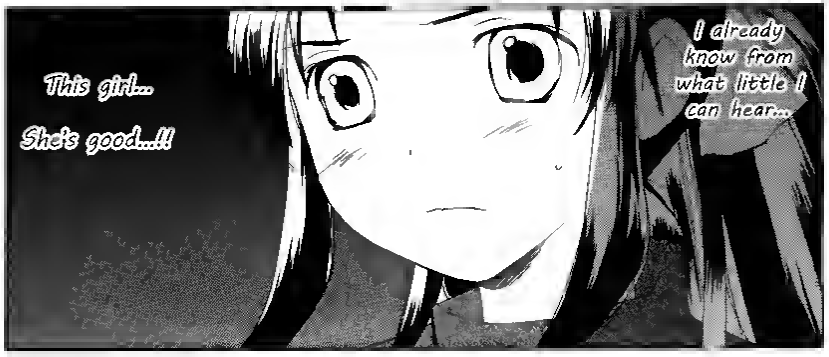
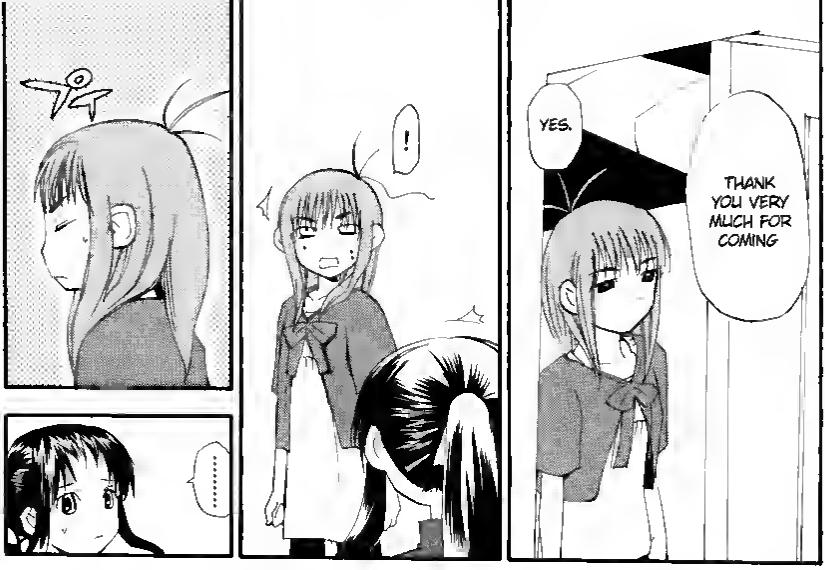

I already know from what little I can hear...
This girl...
She's good...!!


THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING
YES.
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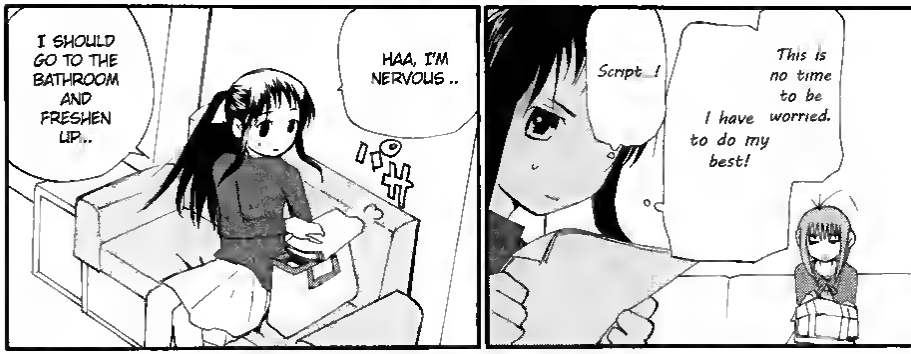
I SHOULD GO TO THE BATHROOM AND FRESHEN UP...
HAA, I'M NERVOUS ..
Script...!
This is no time to be worried. I have to do my best!

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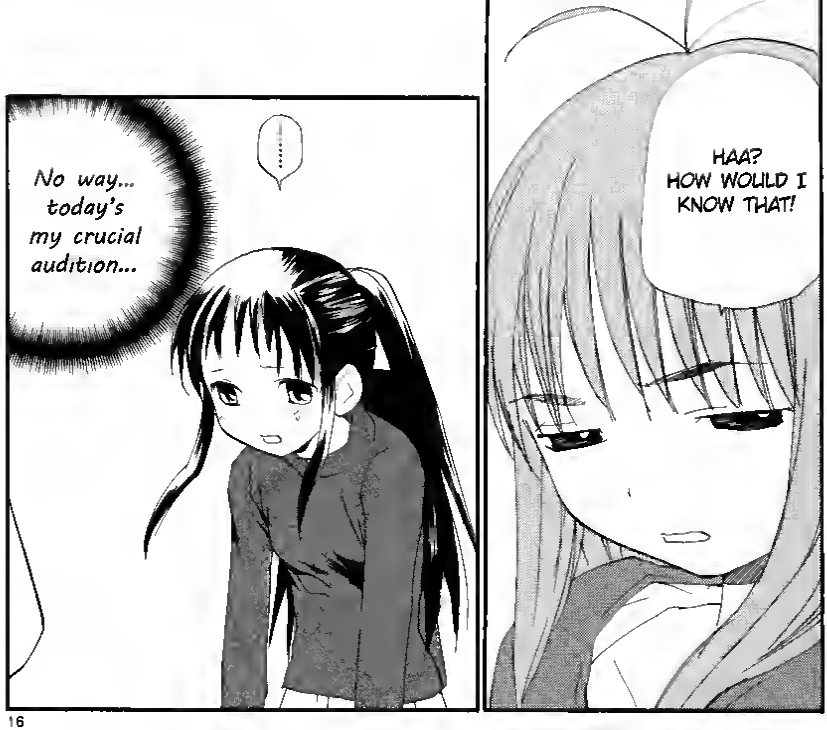
IT'S GONE
MY SCRIPT, EH!?
FUH!

IT'S NOWHERE TO BE FOUND..!
I CAN'T FIND IT!
IT'S GONE!

WHAT SHOULD I DO?!
EEE EHH!?

DO YOU KNOW WHERE MY SCRIPT IS?
UMM...

Did I leave it in the bathroom?
No way...
No... I didn't bring it in...


No way... today's my crucial audition...
HAA? HOW WOULD I KNOW THAT!

I SHOULD BE OKAY, I REMEMBER THEM...
THEIR LINES
I'VE PRACTICED THEM ALL
WHAT DO I DO
PANSY
AND CRO-CUS S
NO WAY...

I can do it!
ALRIGHT, THANKS
WE'VE GOT WHAT WE NEED
EH? WHERE'S YOUR SCRIPT?
AH, I MEMORIZED IT ALL, SO..
Was, was she watching me just now?
AH THAT'S RIGHT, THIS.
?

You...
You stole it!
You stole it, didn't you!

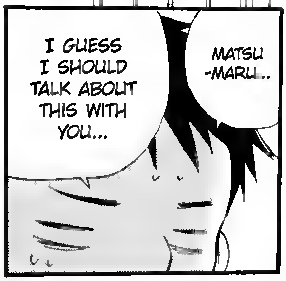
WHA!?
EH, AH.. I THOUGHT I LOST IT...

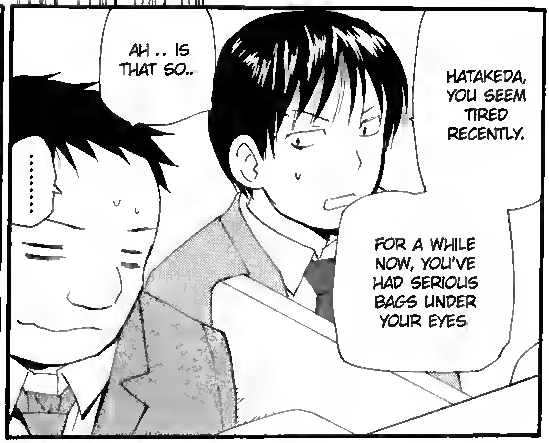
DID YOU DROP THIS?

Wha, Whaaa!?

HEY.
OH, YO HATAKE -DA

BRISCOSINOUE


I GUESS I SHOULD TALK ABOUT THIS WITH YOU...
MATSU -MARU...


AH.. IS THAT SO..
HATAKEDA, YOU SEEM TIRED RECENTLY.
FOR A WHILE NOW, YOU'VE HAD SERIOUS BAGS UNDER YOUR EYES.

HM?

Today... has been
Really rough...
THAT'S NOT IT YOU DROPPED IT...
You thief!
HMPH!
AHH....
ACTUAL -LY...
STEADY
STEADY NOW
AH, IT'S THAT!
IT'S MY SCRIPT!!
AH... EH?
I DID AS MUCH AS I COULD...
BUT TODAY
WHAT'S THAT ON THE SHELF

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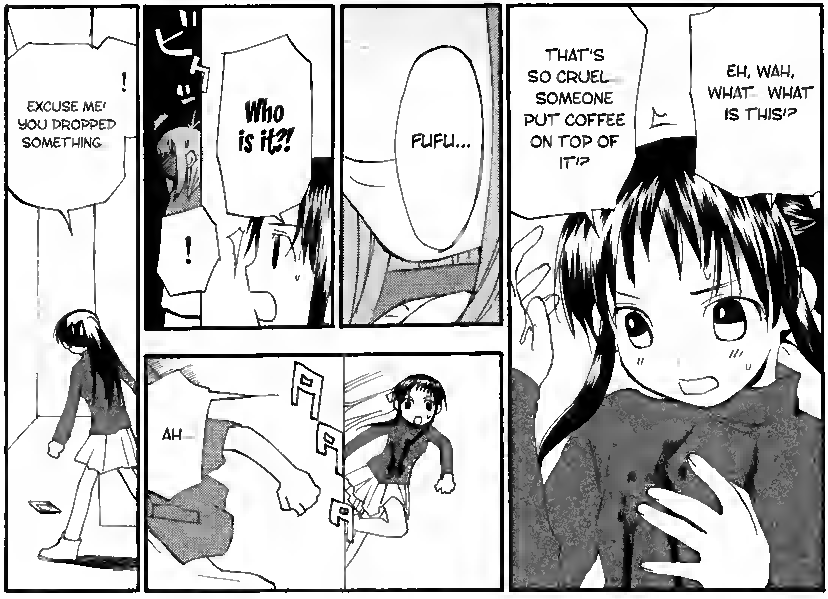
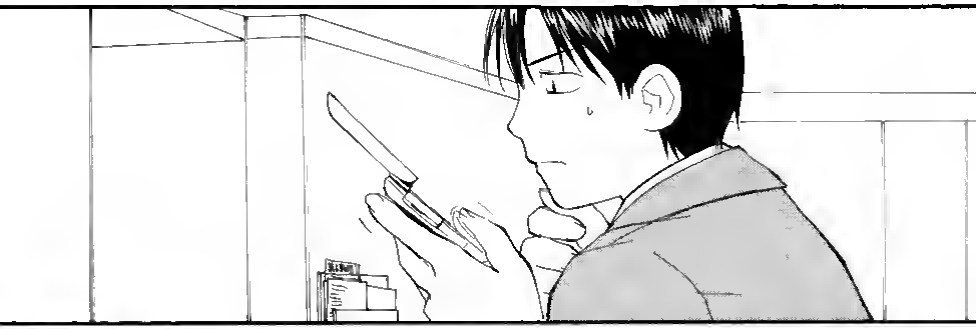

EXCUSE ME! YOU DROPPED SOMETHING
!
Who is it?!
!
FUFU...
AH—
THAT'S SO CRUEL SOMEONE PUT COFFEE ON TOP OF IT!?
EH, WAH, WHAT WHAT IS THIS!?

IS THIS... A WALLET?
SOME-THING THE CULPRIT DROPPED?
WELL, TO BE HONEST... WHERE SHOULD I BEGIN...
I'LL JUST TELL YOU EVERYTHING, SO LISTEN CAREFULLY
I HAVE A YOUNGER SISTER, BUT WE DON'T REALLY GET ALONG.
AND MY LITTLE SISTER IS A VOICE ACTRESS.
HATAKEDA, YOUR YOUNGER SISTER IS A VOICE ACTRESS...?
Haa!?
SPEAKING OF WHICH I REMEMBER HEARING SOMETHING ABOUT YOUR LITTLE SISTER A LONG TIME AGO
BUT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME HEARING THAT SHE'S A VOICE ACTRESS
I DIDN'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT! PLUS WE DON'T GET ALONG!
BUT BECAUSE MY PARENT'S PLACE IS GETTING RENOVATED SHE CAME TO MY PLACE!
NOW THAT SHE'S IN MY HOUSE IT'S TOO TOUGH!
WHAT'S TOUGH, YOU ASK?
SHE HATES ONDA AKA.
SHE'S TREATING ME, A VOICE ACTRESS OTAKU, LIKE AN IDIOT, EVEN THOUGH SHE'S A VOICE ACTRESS!

AH... THEIR NAME'S WRITTEN HERE.
HATAKEDA HANAKO?
HATAKEDA HANAKO?
カラオケ ビッグルド
畑田 花子
No 5194255
HMM, HATAKEDA -SAN?
THERE'S NO WAY...
BUT, IN TODAY'S AUDITION
THERE WAS NO ONE WITH THIS NAME.
HATAKE...



AH
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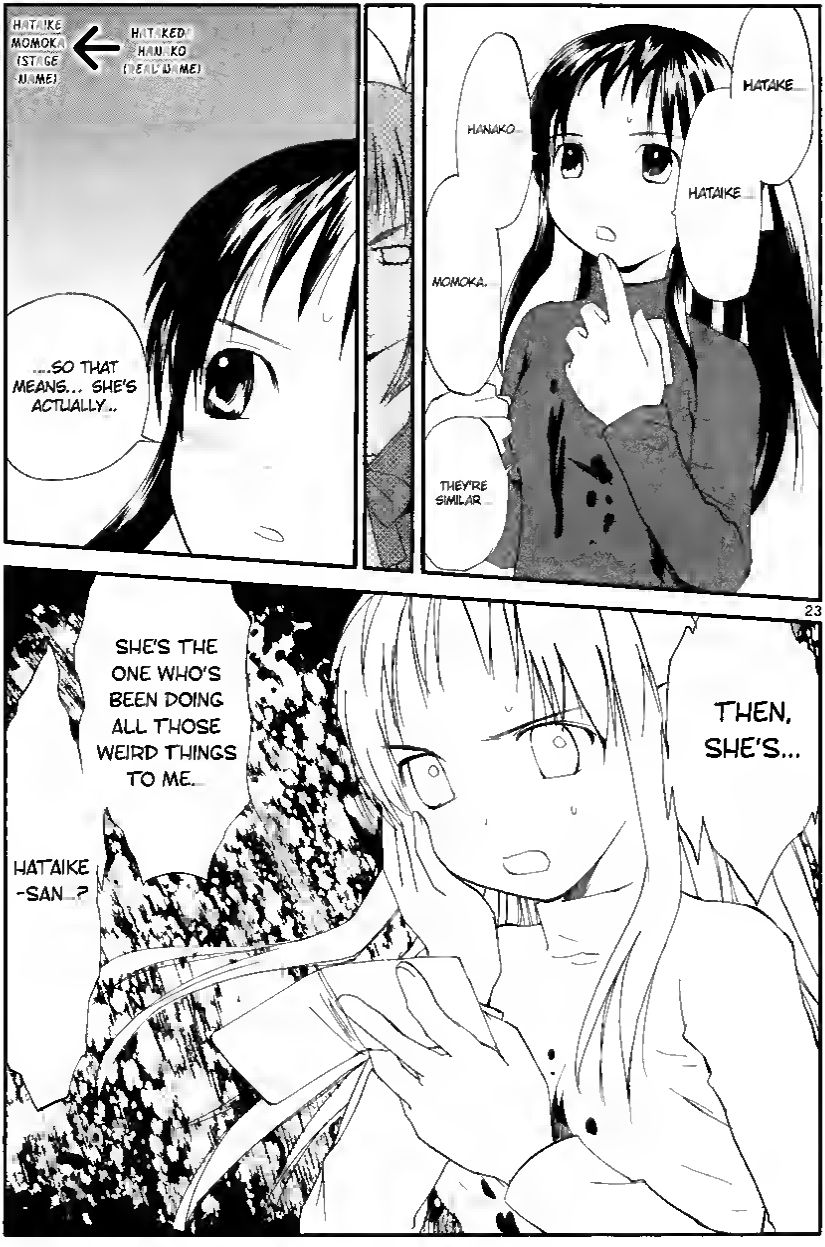
畑田 花子


HATAIKE MOMOKA (STAGE NAME)
HATAKEDA HANAKO (REAL NAME)
....SO THAT MEANS... SHE'S ACTUALLY..
HATAIKE...
HANAKO...
HATAIKE...
MOMOKA.
THEY'RE SIMILAR...
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THEN, SHE'S...
SHE'S THE ONE WHO'S BEEN DOING ALL THOSE WEIRD THINGS TO ME...
HATAIKE -SAN...?

Do you know a voice actress named Hatake Momoka? She's Hatakeda's little sister I just heard about this from Hatakeda
EH!?
MATSUI-MA...
HM.
チカ
チカ
EEH HHH
HATAKEDA-SAN'S LITTLE SISTER!?
He is in the brother
I'M...
I'M BEING BULLIED BY HATAKEDA-SAN'S LITTLE SISTER!?